

July 29, 2009

City of Ventura
101 Sena Street
Ventura, IA 50482

Re: 2010 Main Street Reconstruction Project

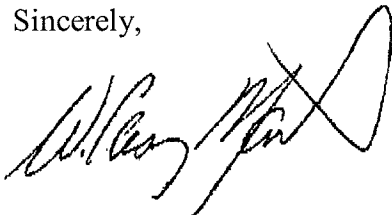
To Whom It May Concern:

Please kindly accept this letter as our endorsement of the 2010 Main Street Reconstruction Project and as our support of the City of Ventura in receiving funding from the I-JOBS Infrastructure Investment Initiative.

As a local organization actively engaged in making North Iowa a safer and more enjoyable place to enjoy outdoor recreation, specifically cycling, we are excited about what this project will bring to our community. It is our belief that these developments will further compliment the existing network of recreational trails already found in the city of Ventura. This project will also aid in striving toward the overall goals of enhancing our community and improving upon the quality of life for both residents and visitors of North Iowa.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. We appreciate your efforts in making the city of Ventura and its surrounding community a great place to work, live, and play!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Casey Martin', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

W. Casey Martin
Director, Cerro Gordo Trails

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To: City of Ventura
Ventura, Iowa

The Ventura Community School District is proud to offer our support for the I-Jobs initiative in the State of Iowa and particularly for the city of Ventura.

It is our understanding that the city of Ventura is working hard at trying to improve our city streets, which in turn would help create jobs for local district patrons. In particular, the **"2010 Main Street – West Lake Reconstruction Project"** is of great importance to the school district, because of the safety of our student population that walk and/or ride their bikes to school on a daily basis.

This project would help insure the street and adjacent properties would be safe for our students to use when walking or riding their bikes to our school facilities and activities. Also, a city playground-park was recently built next to this area, and we have students who daily utilize this recreational facility and need a safe street to transition to this park.

Thank you for your consideration, we appreciate the opportunity of lending our support to this project.

Sincerely yours.

Brian Rodemeyer

Brian Rodemeyer
Superintendent of Schools
Ventura Community School District
Ventura, Iowa 50482

Sincerely

Carol Prescott, Vice-President
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Our Mission: Provide a Community of Opportunity

Persons that own homes & businesses along the roadway that have been affected by recent flooding in 2008. Please feel free to contact these individuals and discuss the Impact poor drainage has had on them. This list represents a sampling of people that live along, or near, the proposed project area that would benefit from drainage improvements.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
RICHARD A. LEOPOLD, DIRECTOR

July 30, 2009

City of Ventura
Attn: Else Taylor, City Clerk
101 Sena Street
PO Box 230
Ventura, IA. 50482

Dear City of Ventura:

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources supports the 2010 Main Street/West Lake Street Reconstruction Project which will bring about many improvements to the city of Ventura.

The recreational trail on Main Street that will extend south to the grade will fit in well with the DNR's Ventura Grade/Harbor Inn property. This recently acquired area has been developed into a popular park that serves as a trailhead for biking around Clear Lake. In addition it provides parking and restroom facilities for anglers that use the park and the fishing jetty.

Planned improvements by the city of Ventura will also aide in the safety of all pedestrians using this area. Keeping anglers and bikers off the road will assist those utilizing the Ventura Grade for angling and biking.

Sincerely,

James R. Wahl
NW Regional Fisheries Supervisor
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
122 252nd Avenue
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Note: This Resolution is scheduled for passage at our August 10, 2009 Ventura City Council meeting. The 20 day time frame to complete this application did not warrant enough time to get this done prior to the submittal deadline. There are presently no objections to the IJOBS grant submittal or to the project at this time.

Resolution 09-09

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE IJOBS GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, The City of Ventura is in the final stages of Engineering for the proposed 2010 Main Street/West Lake Street Reconstruction Project.

WHEREAS, The City of Ventura is a governmental unit charged with the responsibility of maintaining a street system within its corporate boundaries.

WHEREAS, The City of Ventura is planning on financing this project with a combination of funding tools, that includes, special assessments, G.O. Bonds, and grant funding from three sources.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Ventura, Iowa, to endorse the application for IJOBS grant funding to help fund the 2010 Main Street/West Lake Street Reconstruction Project.

Adopted this 10th day of August, 2009.

Robert H. Wolfram

ATTEST:

Else Taylor, City Clerk